be made into jam or preserves. The tree is a quick grower and commences to bear when two or three years old, remaining productive for several years." (Macmillan, Handbook of Tropical Gardening.)

"Mr. L. H. Bailey found that this shrub would bear the second or third year from seed when grown under glass in Michigan, and the experiment is worth repeating." (Fairchild.)

## 34975. Asparagus sp.

Asparagus.

From La Mortola, Ventimiglia, Italy. Presented by Prof. Alwin Berger, director, Botanic Gardens. Received March 7, 1913.

#### 34976. LANSHIM DOMESTICHM Jack.

Duku.

From Buitenzorg, Java. Presented by the director, Department of Agriculture. Received March 7, 1913.

For previous introduction, see S. P. I. No. 24431.

# **34977.** Soja max (L.) Piper.

Soy bean.

(Glycine hispida Maxim.)

From London, England. Presented by Mr. Stuart R. Cope. Received February 20, 1913.

#### 34978 to 34981.

From San Jose, Costa Rica. Presented by Mr. Ad. Tonduz, botanist, National Museum. Received March 5, 1913.

Quoted notes by Mr. Tonduz.

**34978.** ABUTILON sp.

"A shrub  $1\frac{1}{2}$  to 2 meters high, with heart-shaped leaves and yellow flowers, found in San Jose and Carbrenas."

**34979.** Bomarea sp.

"Fruits found in the vicinity of San Jose. An ornamental with edible tubers."

34980. CALYPTRANTHES TONDUZII Donnell Smith.

"A myrtaceous fruit called *Guayabillo*, which yields a hard, fine wood. These trees, scattered throughout the praderas (country covered with meadows), are literally covered with yellow fruits, which have no use except that they may be eaten."

34981. NECTANDRA SANGUINEA Roland.

"Fruits of a large tree, from the banks of the river Virilla, which in the fresh state furnish a passably good reddish color."

### **34982.** Coccolobis sp.

From San Jose, Costa Rica. Presented by Mr. J. E. van der Laat, director, Department of Agriculture. Received February 20, 1913.

"Jarra. Fruit tree, hot climate." (Van der Laat.)

#### 34983 and 34984. Cucumis melo L.

Muskmelon.

From Afghanistan. Presented by Mr. Albert C. Jewett, through Mr. Edward J. Norton, American consul, Bombay, India. Received March 7, 1913.

34983 and 34984. "Two varieties of the Kabul melon."